

Contributing Causes

1999 Florida Traffic Crash Facts

TABLE 20 **Actions Attributed to Drivers Involved in Fatal, Injury
or Property Damage Only Crashes***

Type of Crashes	Driver Actions											Total
	Speed Too Fast	Failed/ Yield Right- of-Way	Disregard Stop Sign	Disregard Other Traffic Control	Drove Left of Center	Improper Over- taking	Follow Too Closely	Alcohol Under Influence	Careless Driving	Mech- anical Defect	Other	
Fatal	472	632	78	119	130	108	7	320	858	28	875	3,627
% of Fatal Crashes	6.61	1.54	2.23	1.34	7.92	1.62	0.10	4.10	1.20	1.42	2.22	
Injury	5,255	32,345	2,724	7,209	1,171	4,814	5,475	4,031	54,540	1,397	29,078	148,039
% of Injury Crashes	73.60	78.80	78.03	81.00	71.32	72.09	76.33	51.70	76.31	70.91	73.90	
Property Damage Only	1,413	8,068	689	1,572	341	1,756	1,691	3,446	16,070	545	9,396	44,987
% of Property Damage Only Crashes	19.79	19.66	19.74	17.66	20.77	26.30	23.57	44.20	22.49	27.66	23.88	
Total	7,140	41,045	3,491	8,900	1,642	6,678	7,173	7,797	71,468	1,970	39,349	196,653
% Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	

*This table lists contributing causes reported by the investigating officer for drivers in traffic crashes.
There can be up to three contributing causes per driver.

Environmental Causes

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TABLE 21 **Lighting Conditions at the Time of Crash**

Lighting Conditions	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Injury Crashes	Property Damage Only Crashes
Daylight	160,100	1,193	100,657	58,250
Dusk	6,717	68	3,916	2,733
Dawn	2,937	63	1,804	1,070
Darkness	69,347	1,285	35,780	32,282
Unknown	4,308	16	1,015	3,277
Total	243,409	2,625	143,172	97,612

TABLE 22 **Road Surface Conditions at the Time of Crash**

Surface Conditions	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Injury Crashes	Property Damage Only Crashes
Dry	204,937	2,324	120,461	82,152
Wet	33,951	275	20,834	12,842
Slippery	1,872	12	1,207	653
Icy	82	2	40	40
Other	2,567	12	630	1,925
Total	243,409	2,625	143,172	97,612

TABLE 23 **Type of Vehicle Collision***

Type of Collision	All Crashes	Fatal Crashes	Injury Crashes	Property Damage Only Crashes
Head On	4,268	168	2,966	1,134
Rear End	67,699	191	47,275	20,233
Angle	46,256	510	31,006	14,740
Sideswipe	15,302	59	5,352	9,891
Backed Into	6,461	0	1,210	5,251
Left/Right Turn	26,653	245	18,412	7,996
Other	18,408	129	5,002	13,277
Total	185,047	1,302	111,223	72,522

*Type of collision applies to the first two vehicles in crashes involving two or more vehicles.